

TAFT LID ON "PORK BARREL"

TELLS CANNON HE WON'T STAND FOR WATERWAYS GRAB.

Serves Notice That He Favors Navigation Improvements Through Bond Issue, but No Favors to Localities—Big Flotilla Off for New Orleans.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 25.—President Taft served notice on Speaker Cannon to-day that the old "pork barrel" method of apportioning the river and harbor improvements to the Congressmen with the pull will have to cease.

The speech caused a sensation among the 177 Congressmen at the St. Louis meeting, who regarded it as a direct slap at the Speaker.

Mr. Taft made it plain that as a general proposition he is in favor of having bonds issued to pay for the deepening of the country's waterways. At the same time he declared with almost brutal frankness that there was to be no "pork barrel" politics in the improvements. Each project was to be determined solely on its merits.

The President apparently intended his statement as a warning to the 177 Congressmen who were sitting before him.

Uncle Joe Cannon, who has held the pork barrel cover for a good many years, listened attentively. It can be said that Uncle Joe will be found behind President Taft at least on the proposition to issue bonds for the improvements of the waterways.

The meeting at the Coliseum was the big one of the day. Mr. Taft addressed an audience of 10,000 there. Here is what he had to say of pork barrel politics:

"We have spent a great deal of money on waterways. I do not think it has been spent as much to a good purpose as it would have been had we adopted some other theory and some other method, but I am not here to criticize that. I do think that we have now reached the time in the history of the development of our waterways when a new method ought to be adopted."

Now, I would like to clear away a good many suppositions that I am afraid have lodged in some minds. The manner of waterways improvement by irrigation of the arid and sub-arid lands and the conservation of our resources is not for the purpose of distributing pork to every part of the country.

Every measure that is to be taken and adopted must be on the ground that it is useful to the country at large and not on the ground that it is going to send certain Congressmen back to Congress or on the ground that it is going to make a certain part of the country during the expenditure of that money prosperous. If that principle, and that is the one which I deprecate, is to obtain I am in favor of going along the same old way we have gone before."

The method which I favor is this: That we should take up every comprehensive project on its merits and we should determine by all of the means at our command whether the country in which that project is to be carried out is so far developed as to justify the expenditure of a large sum in carrying out the project and whether the project will be useful when done."

When you have determined that on the general principle of the project to the entire country, then I am in favor of doing that work as rapidly as it can be done and I am in favor of sending the bonds to do it, and if it shall turn out that some part of the country is linked to a particular project by reason of eloquent and large words and a general lively imagination that is not sustained by the facts, then that part of the country has got to wait until it can grow up to the project."

I am not minimizing the difficulties that are going to arise in selecting what has to be done or in determining the order in which those projects are to be carried out. I am not saying that it is going to be a simple matter to issue \$100,000,000 of bonds for a waterway and then that we just apportion part to the Mississippi and part to the Atlantic, a part to the Missouri and a part to the Ohio. I am opposed to it."

I am opposed to it because it is not only the pork barrel itself, but it will be the pork barrel itself. Let every project stand on its bottom. Let it prove itself by means of its friends and by means of those who know whether it is to be profitable or not and then send the bonds to do it, but do not let us embark on a plan that will reflect no credit on our business common sense."

The President was the guest of the Business Men's Association at a big luncheon at the Planters Hotel, and in the afternoon he went to East St. Louis, where with Vice-President Sherman, and Speaker Cannon he took part in the dedication of the new Federal Building.

The President started his 1,200 mile trip down the Mississippi River this afternoon to the tooting of whistles and the cheers of thousands.

Fifteen big steamboats, bearing a notable escort, stood up behind the little United States lighthouse tender Osander, on which the President is quartered.

Included in the escort are the Vice-President of the United States, two Cabinet members, twenty United States Senators, four representatives of foreign nations, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, with 176 of his fellow Congressmen, and hundreds of prominent business men of the middle West.

It is the greatest show that was ever pulled off in an effort to push legislation through Congress.

The excursion is running under the auspices of the Lakes to the Gulf Deep Waterways Association and is to end at the annual convention of the association in New Orleans. As Gov. Hadley of Missouri describes the trip, it is to be for "exploitation and investigation."

Mr. Taft himself hardly regards it as a pleasure trip.

"We are on the eve," said he this morning, "of a great journey down the Mississippi, and I expect to speak above a whisper on the last lap of his trip. There was some doubt when he arrived in St. Louis this morning whether he would be able to talk at all to the Missouri folks. By having his throat stimulated just before he entered the Coliseum meeting, however, the President was able to make himself heard by about half the big audience."

The President's boat, which will be the flagship of the fleet, is being guided by one of the oldest pilots on the river. The pilots of all the other boats have the strictest orders.

There will be no racing, as there was when President Roosevelt went down the river, and any engineer who blows his whistle more than once will be guilty of high treason.

Some idea of the size of this excursion may be gleaned from the stuff that had been packed in the fleet's larders before it left. There were 20,000 pounds of fresh meat, 28 dozen chickens, 1,800 turkeys, 125 gallons of oysters, 2,500 pounds of fish, 380 bushels of potatoes, 1,920 dozens of eggs, 2,400 pounds of butter, 55,000 cigars, and wines and liquors not estimated.

On the boats carrying the Governors from the Mississippi Valley States and the Congressmen were a few peculiar looking tables with green baize covers. One of the St. Louis papers says they are poker tables with "niches for chips, stands for bottles and a slot in the centre for the kitty."

When one of the Mississippi Valley Governors was asked about the matter he asked "What's the kitty?"

Uncle Joe Cannon, who was assigned to one of the boats that had a table or two, was shocked when somebody suggested that they might be poker tables, and the committee on transportation also was grieved at the aspersion.

It will be a four days run down the river, and time may hang heavy on the hands of some of the statesmen.

This is Uncle Joe's first trip down the river since he was a boy of 13 years. He made the trip then on a flatboat carrying a load of pork to New Orleans. When he got there he sold not only the pork but the flatboat, and Uncle Joe, putting up a strenuous thirteen-year-old kick at having had that boat sold from under his feet, was put aboard a sidewheel and sent home.

Somebody wanted to know of Uncle Joe before he sailed what he thought of the fight the insurgents were making against him.

"Get out your pencil and write this down," said he, which was done as follows: "Old Paul, you will recollect if you refer to his journey, finally struck an attitude and said: 'I have been imprisoned, punished with stripes, met with robbers on land and have been shipwrecked and have met the beast of Ephesus, but none of all these could discourage me.' That is all."

The President and Uncle Joe met first at breakfast at the St. Louis Club soon after the President had arrived in the city. Uncle Joe was having a before breakfast smoke. He shifted the angle of the cigar once or twice, but never missed a puff.

J. J. SLATER BADLY HURT.
Former New Yorker Assailed on Estate Near Savannah.

SAVANNAH, Oct. 25.—J. J. Slater, formerly of New York, was assaulted this morning by Schley Fennel, a carpenter, at Slater's country home at Montgomery, a suburb of Savannah.

Fennel struck Mr. Slater on the head with a wrench while Slater was stooping over on top of his water tower to show the carpenter where it leaked. He would have fallen to the ground, thirty feet below, but for the railing of the tower, which supported his unconscious body until help came.

Fennel ran after striking the blow, but later surrendered to the authorities. He declines to make a statement.

The physician attending Mr. Slater says that though the wound is serious his patient will recover. Mr. Slater lives in Savannah the greater part of each year, occupying a home at Montgomery which he bought from Paul Rainey of New York about two years ago.

BELMONT SETTLES FOR \$3,600.
Discharged Stable Boy Now Threatens to Sue the Jockey Club.

Supreme Court Justice Bischoff signed yesterday an order of discontinuance in the suit brought by John H. Freit, a stable boy formerly in the employ of August Belmont, against Mr. Belmont for \$100,000 for libel. It was learned that Mr. Belmont had paid \$3,600 to settle the case. He won the case in the lower court, but the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court sent it back for a new trial.

The suit alleged that Mr. Belmont blacklisted the stable boy and inserted a notice in the *Racing Calendar*, published by the Jockey Club, warning other owners from employing the boy on the ground that he had broken his contract. The Appellate Division decided that Mr. Belmont had no right to try to prevent the boy from getting other employment.

Counsel for the boy stated yesterday that he has now begun a suit for \$50,000 damages against the Jockey Club for blacklisting him.

CUBAN CABINET DUEL OFF.
President Still Holds Resignations of Garcia Velez and Duque.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
HAVANA, Oct. 25.—The difficulty between Secretary of State Garcia Velez and Secretary of Sanitation Duque has been settled apparently without a duel. It is the general belief that President Gomez admonished them and pointed out what a bad effect a duel between them would have in the United States.

The resignations of the secretaries which are in the President's hands, will not be acted upon until November 1.

It is said there will be a general reconstruction of the Cabinet about that date.

Payne Whitney Arrested.
MINNEOLA, L. I., Oct. 25.—Payne Whitney of Manhattan was arrested last night by Motorcycle Patrolman Seaman of Nassau county on a charge of violating the motor speed law. The arrest was made on the Seerington road. Patrolman Seaman alleges that Whitney was making forty-five miles an hour in his automobile. Mr. Whitney was released on bail until to-morrow, when he will have a hearing before Justice Weeks.

DEWEY'S CLARETS OR BURGUNDY WINES.
Taken with the 13th, Fulton St., New York.
H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 131 Fulton St., New York.

BALLOT PRINTING DELAYED

HOW DID GAYNOR GET ON AS AN INDEPENDENCE LEAGUER?

He Can Come to Court To-day and Tell—Hearst Men Say False Statement Was Made to the Court Last Week—Civic Alliance Rulings Changed Last Night.

The Martin B. Brown company is tearing its corporate hair while the ballot for use next Tuesday is held up. The courts are not done with it yet. In a series of arguments before Supreme Court Justice Gerard yesterday, which began at 10:30 o'clock in the morning and lasted until 10 o'clock at night, frequent charges were made that John T. Dooling, president of the Board of Elections, had misrepresented the action of the Board of Elections to Supreme Court Justice Davis and later to the Appellate Division.

As the result of these charges Justice Gerard ordered the printing of the ballots held up until to-day noon in spite of the fact that the printing company declared that it would be almost a physical impossibility to print the 2,000,000 ballots in time if the work could not begin last night. The Court ordered this delay on the argument of Clarence J. Shearn that President Dooling ordered the printing company to get out the ballots with the Tammany city ticket under the Independence League emblem in spite of notification from the executive committee of the State Independence League organization that no Independence League city convention called by any one else but Mr. Hearst, the executive committee chairman, was valid.

Mr. Shearn brought his motion before Justice Gerard yesterday on an order signed by Justice Bischoff directing the Board of Elections to show cause at 8 o'clock last night why they should not be enjoined from making Judge Gaynor an Independence League Assistant Corporation Counsel. Hahlo objected to the motion being heard on the ground that the Court had no jurisdiction to grant such an injunction, and second, that the candidates who would be affected had not been notified.

"I agree that you should have notified the candidates," Mr. Shearn, said the Court.

"We hadn't the slightest notion that the old Independence League emblem was going on the ticket until this morning," when Commissioner John E. Smith, one of the two Republican members of the Board of Elections went to the office of the Martin B. Brown Company and found that the printers were preparing to go to press with the official ballot containing the Independence League emblem over the Tammany city nominees. Within half an hour after Mr. Smith notified me I started the machinery going to get this injunction."

Abraham S. Gilbert, who has been appearing for the fusion nominees in the nomination contests, said that the question of admitting the Independence League emblem on the official ballot was brought up at the meeting of the Board of Elections on Saturday, at which time he declared Commissioner Dooling, the president, said that that matter would be disposed of at an executive session of the board later. Mr. Gilbert said that neither Mr. Smith nor Charles B. Page, the other Republican member, heard anything more about the Independence League and that President Dooling had no authority to order the emblem on the ballot on his own hook.

When Mr. Shearn said that he was at least entitled to have the printing of the ballots halted until he could notify the candidates, the Court said that he would order the printing stopped until to-day noon and adjourn the hearing on the injunction until the morning at 10 o'clock. In the meantime take every means to your power to notify the candidates of your application for the injunction," said Justice Gerard. "Telegraph them, send them special delivery letters through the mail, send personal messages and telephone them as well."

So Gaynor, Moore, Galvin and others will be summoned.

Mr. Hahlo then declared that the ballots could not be printed in time if they were held up until to-day at noon. Mr. Valentine, manager of the printing company, was called by Mr. Hahlo to tell the Court the prospects. Mr. Valentine asked who would pay for the extra plates not contracted for. The Court told him to charge it to the city.

Mr. Gilbert, representing the fusion organizations, and Herbert R. Limberg, in behalf of the Hearst brand of real Civic Alliance, started the proceedings before Justice Gerard yesterday by asking for a reargument of the contests over the use of the Civic Alliance emblem.

Mr. Dooling appeared before Justice Davis when these cases were first heard, and when the Court asked him if the board had voted unanimously the opposing lawyers said he declared that it did vote unanimously. On this representation the case was heard and appealed only on the law.

When the Appellate Division reversed Justice Davis and Commissioners Page and Smith, the Republican members, heard of President Dooling's alleged statement they declared it was not true and made an affidavit that in the Thirty-first Assembly and Thirty-third Aldermanic districts the board stood evenly divided, and it was understood that that should be reported to the Court.

Mr. Page said it was his impression that the same was true of other districts.

Commissioner Dooling was not in court when the accusations were made against him, but Assistant Corporation Counsel Hahlo denied that Mr. Dooling had misled the Court or that he had any intention to do so. Justice Gerard said he would hear every Civic Alliance contest on its merits if it took until after midnight.

The result of the hearings was that the fusion nominees made this gain by the reargument.

Gained the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Assembly tickets and the Twenty-third Aldermanic ticket.

Knocked the Tammany nominees off the Civic Alliance ticket in the Thirty-first Assembly and the Thirty-third Aldermanic districts.

AEROPLANE KNOCKED OFF HATS

Leblon Saves Doncaster Crowd at Great Risk to Himself—Gusty Flight Day.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
DONCASTER, Oct. 25.—During the aviation meeting to-day Leblon fell twenty feet, but was not hurt. His machine was wrecked.

His fall was an act of self-sacrifice. He was flying at a low elevation when the wind suddenly whirled his machine round and drove it toward the spectators, who were standing ten deep. Leblon had only an instant to choose between rising almost vertically at great risk to himself or crashing into the onlookers without harm to himself, but fortunately he chose the former.

There was barely room between the machine and the crowd for the aeroplane to rise, but Leblon's prompt manipulation of the gear just enabled it to do so, and it cleared the heads of the crowd, whisking off the hats of the men in the front row. Leblon was thrown back horizontally in his seat as the machine shot fifty feet upward.

The aeroplane was then hit by a squall. Leblon managed to control it for part of its descent, but when twenty feet from the ground it fell. The crowd gave Leblon an ovation.

BLACKPOOL, England, Oct. 25.—Flying at the aviation meeting here to-day was abandoned owing to the heavy weather.

PASSENGER WAS TOO CHESTY.

And Customs Inspector Who Noted It Found a Reason.

A tall, gaunt looking man wandered down the gangplank from the steamship Cincinnati yesterday when that vessel, just in from Hamburg, docked. His face was drawn and pinched and his legs were long and lean, but Special Customs Inspector Tim Donohue, who is an authority on anatomy, thought that the man's chest was hardly in proper proportion with the rest of his body. That chest would have been the envy of James J. Jeffries.

Donohue patted the chest perhaps a little roughly and the man remonstrated, but Donohue had found what he wanted and requested the passenger to go with him into the customs office on the dock. The man gave his name as A. L. Labrio, from Spain. As they were walking toward the office another passenger, Humberto Preti, asked what was the matter, and Donohue, recognizing him as having caused trouble before, asked him to accompany him too.

Labrio was a chamois waistcoat, which he declared was to protect his chest, as he suffered from lung trouble. When searched this waistcoat was found to be made up of forty-two special pockets, and in these pockets were 158 pieces of jewelry, of which sixty-eight were diamond rings. Preti was next searched and he had ninety pieces of jewelry concealed about his person. Of these fifty-four were diamond rings.

The jewelry was confiscated and the men were allowed to go, but they are being watched by the officers. They said they had no intention of smuggling and that the jewelry was purchased in this country. The jewelry was said to be worth about \$5,000.

SUBMARINE VIPER AGROUND.

Boat in Serious Trouble Inside Cape Henlopen.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 25.—The United States submarine Viper is aground inside Cape Henlopen, near the Delaware Breakwater. The boat is reported to be resting easy, but her position is dangerous and there are fears for her safety.

The life saving crew from Lewes, Del., is standing by and making every effort to drag the vessel off the shoal. Although a high wind is blowing, the sea is not heavy. Should any chance occur an attempt will be made to take off the crew and the boat will be abandoned.

The Viper is under the command of Ensign Robert A. White, on her way from New York to this port.

The Viper was one of the submarines which left the New York Navy yard several days ago for Charleston, S. C., where they will spend the winter. The others were the Cuttlefish and Tarantula. They were conveyed by the tender Custine. Storm warnings were sent out from the Navy Department on Saturday advising the commanding officer of the flotilla that a storm was approaching from the southeast and is believed here that the vessels ran into the lower part of Delaware Bay to escape the storm.

INTERNATIONAL AERO MEET.

Washington and Baltimore to Start a Campaign To-day to Secure It.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—The national capital and its neighbor city, Baltimore, will start their campaign to secure the international aviation meet, which comes to America next year, with a public meeting in the rooms of the Washington Chamber of Commerce to-morrow. Speeches by aeronautically inclined business men and a moving picture show depicting scenes at the first international meet at Reims, France, are on the programme.

Commissioner Henry B. F. MacFarland, Thomas F. Walsh, the Colorado millionaire and head of the Washington Aero Club; William F. Gude, president of the local Chamber of Commerce; Col. Jerome H. Joyce, the Mayor of Baltimore and several other aero enthusiasts will speak.

WAS'N'T WU'S MOTHER'S SPIRIT.

Former Chinese Minister Says Materialized Shade Didn't Speak Chinese.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Oct. 25.—Wu Ting-fang, in a letter to a Milwaukee newspaper, gives his opinion of a spiritualistic seance he attended in Washington.

The letter was received by Prof. C. Arvyn in response to a query. Prof. Arvyn has spent thirty years investigating spiritualism. He says he "found nothing in it upon which to establish his belief."

"In reply to the report of a medium having materialized the spirit of Dr. Wu's mother and to have spoken in Chinese with him, would say that the seance was unsatisfactory, and the supposed spirit could not speak Chinese."

Druggist Leonard W. Drugged Sleep. Ask for History, John Barr-Land, 62 N. Northampton Mass.—Ad.

COLLECTOR'S TRUNKS HELD UP

IT GAVE MR. LOEB SOME TROUBLE TO GET A DINNER COAT.

The Custom of West End Avenue Is What He Ran Against, and It Says That Vans Shall Not Pass After 11 A. M.—Courtesy of the Port Granted at Last.

Collector Loeb's personal effects had to get the courtesy of the port, so to speak, before they were landed yesterday afternoon at his new residence, 311 West End avenue. It was moving day in the Loeb family, and two vans bringing the chattels up from Sea Gate fouled the park ordinances when they tried to pass into West End avenue. Only by the grace of Commissioner Baker did they pass the customs at all.

Mrs. Loeb started them off from Sea Gate yesterday morning bright and early, perhaps by 10 o'clock. She and William III., with three servants, came along before after lunch by the brave craft Gen. Lee, which got them to New York at about 4 in the afternoon. The vans hadn't arrived and the butler was sent in search.

He found them stalled in Seventy-fourth street well around the corner from the new Loeb house. A bicycle policeman had shooed them off the avenue and there they were. It looked as though they'd be there for a good while, because the policeman had declared that West End avenue was a parkway and that vans couldn't pass after 11 in the morning, no matter whose goods were aboard. Law was law.

Plainly it was time for something to be done. Mrs. Loeb called up Mr. Loeb at the Custom House and asked him what he was going to do, for they must have their trunks, because it was getting near dinner time, park ordinances or no park ordinances, customs or no customs.

Then it was Collector Loeb's turn to talk over the telephone. He reached Commissioner Baker at 300 Mulberry street and asked for the courtesy of West End avenue or something of the sort. The Commissioner was quick to respond. Park Commissioner Smith, who is on a vacation, wouldn't object, so it would be an easy matter. He'd ship a policeman to Seventy-fourth street, an inspector if necessary, to see that the trunks got through without the minimum delay. He was careful to add that not even the side roads would have to be opened. He was sure they'd pass.

That is the story of how the Collector was able to wear a dinner coat last night despite a journey at sea.

CAPT. DULFER ARRESTED.

Must Answer Before Magistrate for Assault on Patrolman McCormack.

A warrant issued by Magistrate Nash of the Flatbush station in Brooklyn against Police Captain John Dulfer on a charge of felonious assault on the complaint of Patrolman James McCormack was served yesterday morning upon the captain by a court officer as he was entering the station. Capt. Dulfer accompanied the officer to the court, and entering a plea of not guilty was paroled for examination on November 4.

Capt. Dulfer met McCormack a few blocks from the station on the morning of October 16, and accusing him of being drunk ordered him to report forthwith to the station. A wrangle ensued, during which the captain drew his blackjack and brought it down with considerable force on the patrolman's head, inflicting several scalp wounds. The captain explained that he was obliged to use the blackjack to save himself from a clanking by McCormack, whom he described as furious with rage. McCormack was laid up several days at the hospital from his injuries. He denied that he had been drinking and accused the captain of having a spite against him.

He also alleges that when taken to the station after the trouble the captain had whiskey poured down his throat so as to convince the ambulance surgeon who had been summoned from the Kings County Hospital to attend him that he had been drinking.

GOVERNOR ROUSES PREACHERS.

Criticism of Church Spirit Resented by Indianapolis Methodists.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 25.—At a meeting of the Methodist Ministers Association to-day Gov. Marshall was severely criticised and a resolution was adopted censuring him for the following utterance at a meeting of the Associated Charities at Columbus last night:

"When the average man joins the church Mrs. Millionaire looks at him with turned up nose and says: 'He cannot sit in my pew; he does not belong to my set.' When the average woman joins the church her husband in the church depends on the formed her gown, the style of her hat. If the church of the living God would get back to where every man and woman were a brother or sister the churches of this State would soon be filled with communicants."

FEDERATION OF SHIPOWNERS

To Embrace All Countries—It Will Oppose Attacks of Trade Unions.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
LONDON, Oct. 25.—A gigantic international federation of shipowners has just been formed here. Delegates from the shipowners' federations of Great Britain, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Denmark and Sweden, representing more than 16,000,000 tons of shipping, met in London last week and registered the new federation in accordance with the British law.

This international federation is intended to embrace ultimately all shipowners' federations of the world. The French and Norwegian shipowners have, it is understood, given notice of their willingness to join when certain formalities are completed. The objects of the federation are declared to be purely defensive.

It is "designed to resist unreasonable attacks which may be made by trade unions and others upon the shipowners' freedom of contract in the employment of labor."

Operations will be conducted from a chief office in London by a general council composed of representatives of the affiliated federations.

THROUGH CAR TO OLD PORT COMFORT.

Effective November 1 through sleeping car service will be established between New York and Old Port Comfort, via Pennsylvania Railroad, Washington and Richmond, leaving New York 8:30 P. M.—Ad.

MACK THROUGH WITH BRYAN?

Prints an Article by Gov. Harmon in the November Issue of His Monthly.

BUFFALO, Oct. 25.—The *National Monthly*, owned by Norman E. Mack, chairman of the Democratic national committee, gives much space in its November issue to an article by Judson Harmon, Governor of Ohio, in which he bitterly assails the Republican administration on account of the new tariff and other alleged political inequities.

Gov. Harmon was the chief speaker on Democratic day at the Texas State Fair in Dallas on October 16, and his address there, taken in connection with his article in Chairman Mack's *National Monthly*, has given rise to the statement in political quarters close to Mr. Mack that the chairman of the national committee is through with Bryan as a presidential possibility and is now grooming the Ohio Governor for the contest for the nomination in 1912.

ANTI-BETTING LAW UPHELD.

Court Finds New California Statute Effective to Stop Bookmaking.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—The anti-gambling law passed at the last session of the Legislature was upheld this afternoon by the Court of Appeals in the case of Frank O'Shea, arrested on a charge of making a book on the coursing race at Englewood Coursing Park.

The decision handed down prohibits bookmaking or bookmaking in events of all characters, including horse racing, coursing races and fights.

The fight against the bill was made on the grounds that it was unconstitutional in that it delegated legislative powers to the trial judge by allowing him to impose a felony or misdemeanor sentence in cases. The petitioners have announced that they will carry the fight into the Supreme Court.

BROOKLYN CALLS BROUGHTON.

Man Who Made Atlanta Tabernacle Famous Wanted at Baptist Temple.

ATLANTA, Oct. 25.—The Rev. Dr. Len C. Broughton, pastor of the Baptist Tabernacle, the largest church of that denomination in Atlanta, has received an official call to the pulpit of the Baptist Temple in Brooklyn.

Dr. Broughton will go to Brooklyn to consider the matter with the official board of the Temple.

Dr. Broughton has made the Atlanta Tabernacle the leading Baptist church in the city. It is institutional, a large hospital, night school and training school for nurses being conducted in connection with the church.

CANDY MAY GO IN THE MAILS.

Post Office Department Makes an Anti-Christmas Busting.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—The first official recognition of the approach of Christmas was given by the Post Office Department to-day in the following notice to postmasters:

"The Department having been advised that postmasters are refusing to receive packages containing candy for despatch by parcel post, postal officials are hereby instructed that the prohibition against confections in the parcel post extends only to fruit preserved with sugar. Consequently candy not containing fruit is mailable by parcel post, providing it is so substantially packed as not liable to damage other articles in the same mail."

THEIR TWENTY-THIRD BABY.

He's a Boy and Parents Hope There Will Be More.

WILKESBARRE, Oct. 25.—The twenty-third child was born to Nat Vallone and his wife, Italians, of Pittston last night. He is a boy and Vallone wants to call him "Bill Taft Vallone." There have been fifteen boys and eight girls and of these ten boys and three girls are alive.

Vallone and his wife were married in 1884, the same year that he was naturalized. He is now 51 years old and she is 47 and both are strong and hearty and say they hope to have more children.

RAILWAY CLERKS MAY STRIKE.

New Haven Employees to Vote This Week on Proposition to Quit Work.

BOSTON, Oct. 25.—The 6,000 union clerks at 600 stations, freight offices and mechanical shops of the New Haven railroad will vote this week as to whether they will strike because of the refusal of the management to grant requests which have been submitted by the Brotherhood of Railroad Clerks.

Ballots are now being distributed to all members. The question on the